

Native-American Vest-Pocket Bag

Materials needed:

- *Brown paper lunch bag
- *1 yard of yarn or string
- *Hole puncher
- *Scissors
- *Crayons, markers, or colored pencils

Optional materials:

- *Native-American Vest-Pocket Bag Pattern blackline master (p. 161)

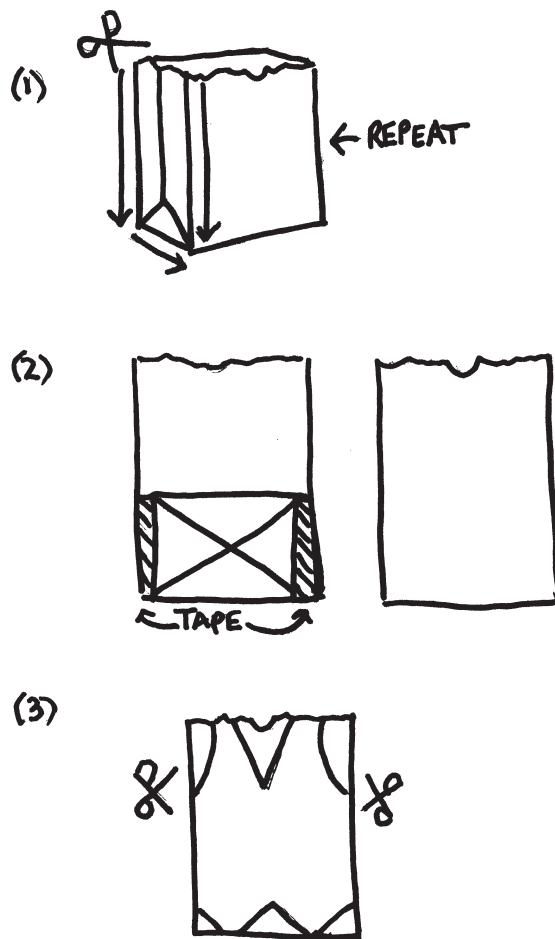
Instructions:

- (1) Open the brown paper lunch bag and cut away both side panels, leaving only the front, back, and bottom of the bag attached.
- (2) Cut across one side of the bag bottom. Fold up the bag bottom and tape it to form a pocket.
- (3) Place the other piece of the bag on top and cut a "V" to look like the neck of a vest. Then round the sides to look like armholes.

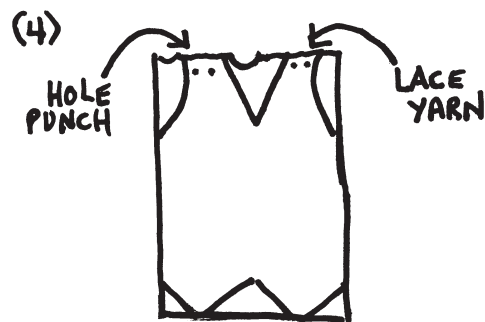
Suggestions for kindergarten teachers:

- *You may want to pre-cut the lunch bags for this project and then allow the students to put the vest together and decorate it.

Diagrams:



(4) Punch holes across the top of the bag at the shoulders, and then lace the front and back together with the yarn or string.



(5) Decorate the front and back of the vest to go with the unit's topic or trace the blackline master onto the bag. Students may store projects, notes, and reports inside the pocket. This vest can be placed inside the Thanksgiving bag.



(6) Students may want to add more pockets to the front and back of the vest by using library pockets or half of an envelope.

